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1. MAIN ARCHIVAL ADMINISTRATION (MAA) HAS, AS DEPT.
SUSPECTS, REF A, NOT GIVEN EXPLICIT AGREEMENT TO DEAL
DIRECTLY WITH IREX ON MATTER OF ARCHIVAL ACCESS. HOWEVER,
IN LIGHT OF DOLGIKH'S WILLINGNESS TO REVIEW SPECIFIC
COMPLAINTS AND ACCESS SITUATION IN GENERAL PLUS MHE'S
REPEATED URGING THAT U.S. SIDE DEAL DIRECTLY WITH MAA,
EMB BELIEVES ATTEMPT SHOULD BE MADE TO GET SPECIFIC
WRITTEN ANSWERS DIRECTLY FROM MAA.

2. SPECIFICALLY, WE SUGGEST MAA BE PROVIDED WITH
A DATA SHEET IN RUSSIAN ON EACH EXCHANGE NOMINEE IN
JANUARY GIVING NAME, HOME INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATION,
BEIEFL EXPLANATION OF RESEARCH TOPIC, AND DETAILED LIST
OF ARCHIVAL NEEDS PRESENTED IN CHECKLIST FORM. DATA
SHEETS WOULD BE PASSED TO MAA UNDER COVER OF LETTER
FROM KASSOF TO DOLGIKH IN WHICH KASSOF SHOULD EXPLAIN
THAT, ALTHOUGH MHE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SOVIET SIDE OF
EXCHANGE, IREX IS PROVIDING INFO DIRECTLY TO MAA FOR
SAKE OF EFFICIENCY AND IMPROVED COMMUNICATIONS ON
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EXCHANGE. LETTER SHOULD MAKE CLEAR THAT MHE IS ALSO

BEING INFORMED OF ARCHIVAL REQUESTS. FURTHERMORE, LETTER SHOULD EXPLAIN THAT, IN LIGHT OF IMPROVED RELATIONS IN ARCHIVAL FIELD, IREX HOPES THAT MAA WILL REVIEW REQUESTS, INDICATE ARCHIVES WHICH WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO NOMINEE, AND HAVE FORMS READY TO RETURN TO IREX AT TIME OF OR BEFORE SPRING PLACEMENT TALKS. EMB WOULD PROPOSE TO DELIVER DIRECTLY TO DOLGIKH FORMS, KASSOF LETTER, AND A LETTER SIGNED BY EMBOFF WHICH REFERS TO DISCUSSION DURING BILLINGTON VISIT REPORTED REF B.

3. THIS APPROACH WAS DISCUSSED WITH IREX REPS ROGERS AND KUJBIDA WHO FELT THAT PREPARATION OF ADDITIONAL FORMS FOR MAA WOULD NOT REPRESENT INSURMOUNTABLE BURDEN.

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